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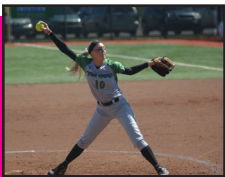
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## Letter from President Stephen Kopp

By Stephen J. Kopp, Ph.D.

Although our state financially stands as one of the strongest in the nation, West Virginia is facing significant budget revenue shortfalls. It is a situation we have been told to expect, but adjusting to a thinner wallet is not going to be easy. "Business as usual" simply is no longer a reasonable expectation. Marshall University and other West Virginia public colleges and universities are facing a nearly nine percent state budget cut for next year, and we are told that unless the state's revenue streams dramatically increase in the coming months, we are likely to face additional reductions in the future. We need to thank our legislators and our governor for their prudent guidance of the state through the depths of the Great Recession and the ongoing economic recovery. I especially wish to commend our local delegation for their outstanding support of Marshall

University. As our legislature deliberates the state budget bill this week, I trust they will keep in mind the tremendous impact our university has on the state's financial health, and that for every dollar they invest in Marshall, we return more than \$20 to the state's economy. Marshall is financially strong now and we will stay strong. It is for this reason that last week we announced a plan to help prepare for these imminent cuts in public funding. We have chosen a strategy to enable us to better evaluate where we can make necessary adjustments while focusing greater attention on mission-critical activities. First, we are freezing the hiring of non-critical personnel. This does not mean that there will be no hiring, but simply that each request to fill a vacancy will be carefully evaluated case-by-case.

Secondly, we are migrating to a new budgeting process that will provide improved control of cash flow. In the first step, the campus received a jolt last week when we announced that the balances over \$5,000 in many special revenue accounts were consolidated into a single holding account from which departments will need to request withdrawals. The purposes for which specific fees were collected will, of course, be preserved and existing commitments will be honored. Departments may be asked to delay some purchases — a piece of equipment, for example — or to find a less expensive option. We are not stopping or suspending travel, equipment purchases or supply orders. We are simply asking ourselves, "Do we really have to make this purchase right now to continue to serve our students?" No program cuts are imminent, and these measures should not affect daily

operations. The most important consideration in every spending decision will be the delivery of services to our students. Faced with a more than \$5 million state funding budget hole, I strongly believe these measures are a sensible way to curtail spending. In other states, universities have been forced to lay off faculty and employees. They also have had to enact huge tuition increases, pushing the dream of higher education out of reach for struggling families. We must maintain tighter control of our finances so we do not find ourselves in such dire predicaments. These new measures will do that. We likely will have to increase tuition if funding cuts remain as projected, but we want to minimize the increase as much as possible for the benefit of our student and their families. For details, I encourage students



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Members of the community participate in the annual Huntington Heart Walk at Ritter Park, Saturday. The money raised will be donated to cardiovascular research programs at Marshall University and West Virginia University

## Huntington promotes heart health

By CODI MOHR  
THE PARTHENON

Around 500 participants took to the walking path at Ritter Park early Saturday to fundraise and advocate in the annual Huntington Heart Walk. The funds brought in by teams and individuals will be contributed to cardiovascular disease research programs at Marshall University and West Virginia University. This research aids the development of ways to improve the likelihood of survival and to help find new ideas for prevention and medicine. According to the American Heart Association, a sponsor of the event

along with St. Mary's Regional Heart Institute, a person dies from cardiovascular disease every 39 seconds. In West Virginia, heart disease and stroke are responsible for nearly one third of all deaths, making the state a leader in cardiovascular disease. Doug Korstanje, director of marketing and community relations at St. Mary's Medical Center, said he was grateful for the American Heart Association and the Huntington community. "We see the effects of heart disease and heart problems every day at St. Mary's," Kortanje said. "We just appreciate the help to support the Heart Association and all the great

work that they're doing for research and education." Each year, the Huntington Heart Walk names an honorary chair. This year, 6-year-old heart disease survivor, Jenna Meadows led the way as her fellow participants followed her around the path. Her mother, Jenny Meadows, spoke tearfully of her daughter's illness and how it has changed their family. "People don't realize what it does to families and how it affects you, but it affects your whole life," Meadows said. "You can't just be a normal parent. It's something we have to worry about every day." Friends and relatives of patients of cardiovascular disease and many

survivors of the disease themselves participated in the walk, signified by proudly worn red hats. Sunny skies and cool temperatures brought a large crowd to the walk, according to Korstanje. "The weather makes a big difference," Korstanje said. "The past couple years have been monsoons, and the turnout wasn't nearly as great." Groups of fundraisers earned more than \$45,000 for the American Heart Association, were provided a healthy lunch and attempted at least two laps around the park for heart health. **Codi Mohr can be contacted at [mohr13@marshall.edu](mailto:mohr13@marshall.edu).**

## "Monsterous" Ohio State professor speaks to Eta Sigma Phi

By TAYLOR STUCK  
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University classics department hosted Timothy McNiven from Ohio State University for the annual Eta Sigma Phi talk Friday. The subject of McNiven's lecture was "Monsters are Good to Think With: Monsters in ancient Greek and Modern American Culture." McNiven explained ancient and modern monsters and why both cultures have a fascination with monsters. "When we look at ancient monsters, we can think about them in terms of how the Greeks were using them to think about problems, to understand the issues of their times and the fears that they had," McNiven said. "And the fantasy's that they had because Greek monsters are often fun things like Pegasus or some centaurs. On the other hand, we can also use that same approach to look at our own culture. Yes, it sells lots of tickets, cable subscriptions and books, but we aren't just buying them for that. We are buying them because they allow us, safely, to think about 'what

if.' 'What will happen when the zombies come to get me?'" McNiven said Greek monsters such as centaurs and minotaurs, which are hybrid creatures, think about what life would be like if they did not have to live in the constraint of human society. In the same way, people use monsters to think about what would happen if they came upon a vampire in Forks, Wash. According to Christina Franzen, acting chair of the classics department, McNiven specialized in Greek and Roman art with an emphasis on history of ceramics and gender issues. His primary research interests focus on ancient Greek pottery and the use and meaning of gestures. McNiven has been a consultant to the department of ancient art at the Toledo Museum. After the lecture, McNiven was answered questions from the audience. Eta Sigma Phi is a national honor society for classics. **Taylor Stuck can be contacted at [stuck7@marshall.edu](mailto:stuck7@marshall.edu).**



TAYLOR STUCK | THE PARTHENON

Christina Franzen, associate professor of classics, and Timothy McNiven after the annual Eta Sigma Phi talk, Friday.

## Earth Day celebrations planned for tomorrow

By SHANNON GRENER  
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University will host an Earth Day celebration Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to raise awareness about sustainability and environmental issues, and people of all ages are invited to attend. Activities and presentations from various organizations will be set up along campus stretching from the John Deaver Drinko Library to Buskirk Field. The event will also occupy the interior of the Memorial Student Center and the plaza. Earth Day is considered one of the world's largest secular holidays, and is focused on promoting conservation and bringing forth solutions to environmental concerns. Former Wisconsin Sen. Gaylord Nelson proposed the idea of Earth Day in 1969 at a conference in Seattle. Earth Day was officially celebrated for the first time on April 22, 1970. The event is organized and planned by the Marshall University Park and Recreation Organization for Students with the help of the department of Parks and Recreation and the Greening Marshall Committee. The event will include a variety of presentations, activities and demonstrations. Margie Phillips, campus sustainability manager and leader of the Greening Marshall Committee, is helping recruit companies and organizations to attend and be a part of the campus event. "Mountaineer Gas will be back this year and they do an explosion with gas," Phillips said. "They will probably do it a couple times — it's really good about teaching you about the energy efficiency of gas, but it also teaches you the dangers of gas." Plants from the campus greenhouse that were grown by students will be up for sale through the MU-PROS as part of a student fundraiser. The MU-PROS will also offer packets of flower and other plant seeds at no cost. Companies including the Huntington Community Garden and the Cabell County Master Gardeners will also present helpful Gardening information. Animals will be involved as well. The Animal Shelter will present pets available for adoption and looking for a home. "Three Rivers Avian Center is going to be coming again and they are going to be bringing their birds," Phillips said. "There was a recent story of a golden eagle that had gotten trapped and injured and they took it into care and they helped heal it." Demonstrations on pitching a tent, tying knots, outdoor games and tips on



College students battle mental illnesses



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Eric Clark, pictured at the Georgia Perimeter College Campus in Decatur, Ga., March 28, 2013, suffers from depression and is a member of Active Minds that helps dispel stigma about mental illness on college campuses.

By SHELIA M. POOLE  
THE ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION (MCT)

In many ways, Sarah Spitz looks and acts like your typical college student.

Highly competitive, Spitz studies hard. She likes comedies and dramatic films. She loves pizza. And she likes to hang out with the close friends she's made at Emory University.

But the sophomore psychology major also suffers from bouts of depression and borderline personality disorder. She wears long sleeves and bracelets to cover places where she's cut her arm. Since high school, she has attempted suicide three times.

There are times when Spitz feels alone and so overwhelmed with classwork that she can't get out of bed. When things are really bad, she may sleep for

only a couple of hours a night or find herself battling against feelings of being out of control.

Few people know of her struggle.

But lately, Spitz has felt in greater control of her life. She recently "came clean" about her private battles to more than 400 people during a program benefiting Active Minds, an organization formed to help remove the stigma associated with mental illness and to raise awareness among college students. Spitz is the president of Emory's chapter.

"Being honest and open about it helps in my recovery," Spitz said. "I'm not one of those people who wear all black. Mental illness doesn't look a certain way. I want to show that it can affect anyone."

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Marshall TOMS club to walk for a cause

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The Marshall University TOMS Club will host a walk Tuesday.

Cortney Hamons, a sophomore digital member of the club, said the walk is a nation-wide event.

"It symbolizes what other people go through," Hamons said. "TOMS is all about one-for-one, so we're going to have a walk where we go around barefoot so we can see what they deal with everyday."

Hamons said one-for-one means for each shoe purchase the TOMS Company donates a pair of shoes to those living in poverty in other countries.

"They symbolize everything about giving back to the community," Hamons said.

Hamons said the TOMS Club at Marshall just got started, but it is important to the members.

"We believe in everything TOMS does," Hamons said. "I got involved during the last event the club hosted."

Hamons said the club will host events throughout the day starting at 11:00 a.m., and the walk will be a loop around campus starting at 4:30 p.m.

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Appalachian Film Festival hits the screen

By JESSICA PATTERSON  
THE PARTHENON

Local filmmakers and moviegoers flocked to the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center for the tenth annual Appalachian Film Festival. The festival included both short and feature films created by directors and videographers from across Appalachia.

Sam St. Claire, assistant for the Appalachian Film Festival, said the festival started as a venue for the Keith-Albee.

"We started the film festival 10 years ago so we could create a venue for the Keith-Albee and so we could create events like this to promote filmmaking in the 13 Appalachian states," St. Claire said.

St. Claire said he thinks the community can make more of a connection to local films.

"It's by us and for us," St. Claire said. "In today's market,

you have limited access to public viewings for these kind of films, so we created this festival where people can come together and see these films in the beauty of the big screen."

Saturday night's portion of the film festival also included a live performance from Trace Cherokee and the Stenders. The singing puppet appeared in the Friday's showing of "Trace Around Your Heart," alongside local singer Sasha Colette.

Colette, who performed Saturday with the band, said she enjoyed being part of the film.

"It was really cool. I enjoyed the work and it made me realize there is a lot of work that goes into making films," Colette said. "Even though I was just an actor in part, it was pretty interesting to see how much patience and love goes into making a film."

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GREEK SING ROCKS THE KEITH-ALBEE

By COURTNEY DOTSON  
THE PARTHENON

Members of the Marshall University Greek community ended Greek Week, Sunday, with Greek Sing and an award ceremony at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center on Fourth Avenue.

For Greek Sing, sorority and fraternity members made up dances to a theme they chose, and one song in the routine had to have made up lyrics about their chapter. Themes for Greek Sing ranged from Delta Zeta's theme of "ACDZ" to Alpha Chi Omega's theme of "Alien Abduction." Greek Sing started off with the fraternity Kappa Alpha Order and ended with the sorority Delta Zeta.

"Greek sing is something every sorority looks forward to during Greek Week. Sororities start working on their routines as soon as they get back from

winter break and spend hours upon hours practicing daily," Haley McIntyre, Greek member, said.

The sorority runner up for Greek Week was Sigma Sigma Sigma and the fraternity runner up was Pi Kappa Phi. The Greek Sing winner for the sororities was Alpha Xi Delta and the winning fraternity was Alpha Sigma Phi. Alpha Xi Delta's theme was "Into Xi Wild" and Alpha Sigma Phi's theme was "Nightmare on Fifth Avenue."

After the Greek Sing performances, there was a 30-minute intermission before they proceeded to the awards ceremony. Lee Tabor and Megan Kelly, who are Greek advisors for PHC and IFC, announced the awards. The first award that was given out was the Most Spirited award, and Delta Zeta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon won this award. The winner of Greek Week for the fraternities was Alpha Sigma

Phi and the runner up was Pi Kappa Alpha. For the sororities the winner of Greek Week was Alpha Xi Delta and the runner up was Sigma Sigma Sigma.

One of the most valuable awards to win during the Greek Week awards ceremony is Greek Woman and Greek Man of the year. This year, the 2013 Greek Man of the Year was Danny Holderby, a Pi Kappa Phi, and the Greek Woman of the Year is Victoria Perri, an Alpha Xi Delta.

Chapter of Excellence is also an award given out during Greek Sing. Chapter of Excellence is a packet that explains what the sorority or fraternity did throughout the whole year. Some things included in Chapter of Excellence are philanthropy, community service and many other accomplishments the chapter has done.

This year, Chapter of Excellence was put into categories of bronze, silver and gold. The chapters that got bronze were Delta Zeta, Alpha Tau Omega and Pi Kappa Phi. Chapters that got silver were Sigma Sigma Sigma and Sigma Tau Gamma. Chapters that won the gold were Pi Kappa Alpha, Alpha Sigma Phi, Alpha Chi Omega and Alpha Xi Delta.

"Chapter of Excellence is a big award that sorority and fraternities work really hard on all year. You basically have to keep record of everything your chapter does throughout the year and then combine it all into a packet," Sarah Stephenson, Greek member, said.

The winner of the 2013 Chapter of Excellence Award was the Alpha Xi Delta sorority and the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

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Russians ban 18 Americans from country following similar sanctions enacted by U.S.

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LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

Russian officials Saturday banned 18 American officials from entering the country, a day after the U.S. announced similar sanctions on 18 Russians in connection with the prosecution and subsequent death of Russian lawyer Sergei Magnitsky.

The lawyer's death in custody in 2009, after he allegedly blew the whistle on a multimillion-dollar scam, led to passage of a law calling for visa restrictions and financial sanctions for those involved. The American list published Friday included Russian police officers, tax inspectors and other officials, most of whom were involved with the Magnitsky case.

The Russian list published Saturday on the Foreign Ministry's official website contained names of 18 U.S. officials, generals, judges, attorneys, agents responsible for organizing the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, detention camp or for the arrests, prosecution and judging of Russian arms trafficker Viktor Bout and Russian pilot turned drug-smuggler Konstantin Yaroshenko. Both have been convicted and sentenced to long prison terms in the United States.

Responding to the American list, Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Lukashevich called the Magnitsky legislation passed by Congress and signed by President Barack Obama in December an "absurd law."

"Our principled position on this unfriendly step is well known," Lukashevich said in televised remarks Saturday. "Under the pressure from the Russo-phobically inclined U.S. Congress members, a strong blow has been dealt to the bilateral relations and mutual understanding."

"The war of lists is not our choice but we have no right not to respond to an outright blackmail. It is high time politicians in Washington finally realized that it is pointless to build relations with such a country as Russia in the spirit of mentoring and concealed diktat."

Russia previously responded to the Magnitsky law by enforcing a total ban on the adoption of Russian orphans by U.S. couples and imposing serious restrictions on Russian nongovernment organizations sponsored by the West.

Both lists of banned officials appeared to be more moderate than previously threatened. But they still have the potential of being expanded at any time, Andrei Kortunov, President of New Eurasia Foundation, a Moscow-based think tank said in an interview. Americans barred from entering Russia include two former Bush administration officials, former Justice Department legal advisor John Yoo and former vice presidential staff head David Addington.

Others include two former heads of the Guantanamo base, a federal judge in New York, eight New York-based federal prosecutors, four DEA agents and one FBI agent.

Asteroid threat has Congress' attention

By RICHARD SIMON  
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

As if you don't have enough to worry about, consider the subject of a hearing last week on Capitol Hill: asteroids that may be headed toward Earth.

The good news: NASA is tracking most of the largest asteroids, the kind that a witness said "would likely end civilization" were they to hit.

"None of these civilization-enders thus far discovered is known to be on an impact course any time in this upcoming century," Ed Lu, a former astronaut who heads a group working to launch a space telescope to track threatening asteroids, told the House Space, Science and Technology Committee.

But there may be a lot of potential "city destroyers" up there that have yet to be detected.

"NASA has not even come close to finding and tracking the 1 million smaller asteroids that might only wipe out a city," Lu said. "We can protect the Earth from asteroid impacts, but we can't do it if we don't know where the asteroids are."

The Capitol Hill hearing Wednesday was the third on space threats since a 60-foot asteroid exploded over Russia in February, injuring about 1,500 people and causing millions of dollars in damage. On the same day, a 150-foot asteroid passed within 17,200 miles of Earth.

President Barack Obama has sent to Congress a proposed budget that includes funding to help NASA step up its efforts to identify space threats, as well as money to send an astronaut to an asteroid by 2025.

Space committee Chairman Lamar Smith, R-Texas, holding up a small piece of the asteroid that exploded over Russia, called it troubling that scientists had identified only 10 percent of the asteroids that could potentially destroy a city.

The asteroid explosion over Russia and the close flyby on the same day "demonstrate that even extremely improbable events can happen, and that it is prudent to pay attention to the problem of finding and tracking all potentially hazardous near-Earth asteroids," Donald K. Yeomans, manager of NASA's Near-Earth Object Program Office at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, said in his written testimony.

Yeomans noted that a spacecraft could ram an asteroid, "modifying its orbital velocity by a very small amount, so that over several years its trajectory would be modified and its predicted impact of Earth in the future avoided by a safe margin."

NASA officials are worried that tighter budgets could delay its work.

Harless CREATE satellite projects open to the public

By YEJIN JENNY HAN  
THE PARTHENON

The June Harless Center and the College of Education will host Harless CREATE Satellite projects as a year-end celebration, Monday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Room BE5 in the Marshall University Memorial Student Center.

The satellite projects give students a chance to experience cutting edge technology as it is developed at the CREATE Lab at Carnegie Mellon University.

"Rural students in West Virginia might otherwise never have the chance to be exposed to this kind of technology if not for their teachers' involvement in the projects," Carrie-Meghan Quick, the director of the projects, said.

The projects include the GigaPan Outreach project, Arts and Bots, Children's Innovation project and Waterbot.

Students will have a chance to take GigaPan panoramic images and observe a customized robot, Arts and Bots. Children will also explore and study electricity by their own hands

with a kit of components designed for young hands. They can monitor watershed systems using WaterBot, which is a citizen scientist project.

The event is open to the public so teachers and students may showcase their hard work and what they have learned as a result of their involvement.

"We encourage pre-service teachers, educators, administrators, MU faculty and staff as well as anybody interested in STEM education to attend," Quick said.

The projects help rural Appalachian schools conduct continuous access to technologies, educational resources and ideas developed by the CREATE Lab at Carnegie Mellon University.

The projects are sponsored by the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation, and involve schools from Cabell, Wayne, Mason, Randolph, Lincoln, Calhoun, Putnam, Mingo and Lawrence County.

For more information visit [www.marshall.edu/harless](http://www.marshall.edu/harless).

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## Spring Fling



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LEFT: Rising redshirt sophomore Blake Frohnapfel releases a pass under pressure. RIGHT: Sophomore runningback Kevin Grooms is brought down by a pair of Herd defenders.

## Thundering Herd plays first scrimmage of spring

By WILL VANCE  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Marshall University football team held its first scrimmage of spring practice on Saturday, and both sides of the ball showed that they had made progress, especially the defense.

"I think the day culminated with the week," new Defensive Coordinator Chuck Heater said. "We got better this week. I felt like we got better as a team Thursday and I thought at times today we jumped up and fought pretty well. I'm encouraged by that because we're going up against an outstanding offense. Every time you make a mistake, they make you pay for it and that's a good test for us."

Heater had several of his defenders show playmaking ability during the scrimmage. Rising redshirt senior linebacker Derek Mitchell highlighted the defensive effort with eight tackles and 3.5 tackles for loss, including three sacks.

Rising redshirt junior Ra'Shawde Myers was a force on the defensive line as well, compiling seven tackles and a pair of tackles for loss, including stuffing sophomore running back Kevin Grooms in the end zone for a safety.

The scrimmage was an opportunity for some players, such as freshman Corey Tindel and junior Darryl Roberts, both defensive backs, to work off some rust after being out of football.

Tindel was a difference maker in the secondary, making four tackles and breaking up three passes, including jarring two passes from the sure-handed Tommy Shuler.

"Sitting out that year made us hungry for the game," Tindel said. "We know how much it means to us and sitting out and just watching, you learn a lot. You learn from the mistakes and you just keep going."

"When he blitzes, he goes hard," Heater said of Tindel. "He's a high tempo guy; there aren't enough of those guys. He goes hard, goes fast, he loves it, thinks about it, it's on his mind all the time, he asks questions and it tells you this guy is thinking long. We're excited about him because he loves football."

Roberts tallied three tackles and a pass break-up of his own.

"It feels real good, real good," Roberts said. "Sitting out the whole year, I'm just hungry for the game. I just want to fly around, have fun and make plays for my

team because I've been missing out

The defense was also able to hold the offense in check on the ground, allowing a total of just 99 yards on 45 carries.

"They had a hell of a practice today," Cato said of the defense. "Everybody was flying around, making solo tackles in the backfield, assisted tackles and pass breakups. They did a pretty good job today."

The offense, however, was not without its own success of. Quarterbacks Rakeem Cato and Blake Frohnapfel combined for 322 yards through the air after completing 28 of 46 passes and five touchdowns, two by Cato and three by Frohnapfel.

"It went great. It started out slow and then Froh came with his juice today and stepped up for the offense," Cato said. "He made big plays with the second team and first team. So we did a pretty good job."

Slot receivers showed their value to the Herd offense, with Tommy Shuler and Penn State transfer Devon Smith combining for 11 catches and 124 yards.

The Herd will return to the practice field Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

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## Former Herd women's basketball star moves talents to gridiron

By KAYLIN SEARLES  
THE PARTHENON

Angela Orsini, former Thundering Herd women's basketball player, is trading in her basketball and sneakers for cleats and shoulder pads

Orsini recently joined the Baltimore Charm, a team in the Legends Football League, which was formerly called the Lingerie Football League.

As the team's newest center and wide receiver, Orsini was eager to become part of a team again.

"I was tired of just working out. I wanted to be part of a team again," Orsini said.

While living in Orland, Fla., she tried out for the Orlando Fantasy, but moved to the Eastern panhandle of West Virginia soon after, and had missed the try-outs for the Baltimore Charm.

Orsini met her new coach Gary Clark, former Redskin and two-time super bowl champion, through a mutual friend and planned on interviewing him for her radio show.

Orsini left the show before she ever got the chance to do the interview, but kept in touch with Clark and soon started working for him in his fight against childhood obesity within the real estate community.



ORSINI

Angela Rypien, Baltimore Charm's quarterback, is a friend of Orsini's and also worked for Clark. Rypien urged her to try out for the team when Clark hired some of his football friends, such as John Booty and Ravin Caldwell. Orsini was ready for the challenge.

"We have all these NFL and SuperBowl coaches, how hard could it be," Orsini said.

Orsini said try-outs were harder than she had imagined.

"The first couple weekends, I didn't know if Gary was going to keep me on the team," Orsini said. "It's definitely not a powder-puff team. These girls play hard and work hard at it."

The next few weeks were trying for Orsini, who looked to her dad for support.

"In football practice, you need so much endurance.

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## MU Baseball swept by Southern Miss

By CAITIE SMITH  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

With expectations high and a conference tournament position on the line, the Marshall University baseball team traveled to Hattiesburg, Miss., for a three game series against Southern Miss.

The Thundering Herd fell in each game, getting swept for the first time in conference play this season.

Marshall lost game one in a nail-biting finish, giving up a run in the bottom of the ninth inning to lose 1-0 in a walk off.

Saturday featured a double-header, losing 4-1 in game one and giving up a three run lead in the finale to lose 8-7.

"We came up a little short, unfortunately," second baseman Andrew Dundon said. "Even though the results weren't there, all we can do is

to continue to work hard."

Dundon still sits atop the batting average column with .328 despite going just 2-10 on the weekend.

"I'm going to continue to work on my hitting and on my defense," Dundon said. "Baseball is a long season. We've got 20 or so games left, and consistency is key. If I can stay consistent with everything, good things will happen."

Even with the sweep, some good things happened for the Herd. Senior Isaac Ballou has reached base in 27 consecutive games. The last time a Herd player had such a streak was when Ballou, did in his sophomore campaign with 27.

"I didn't even know I had tied my own record," Ballou said of the accomplishment.

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## From streak to slide

### Herd home streak ends after being swept by ECU Pirates

By CAITIE SMITH  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Defending the Dot finally proved too tall a task this weekend as the Marshall softball team was swept by Conference USA rival East Carolina.

Without ace pitcher Andi Williamson, the team saw some changes to the lineup. Freshmen Halie Vance and Brittanie Fowler each got work in the circle.

The Herd was defeated by the Pirates in a mercy rule in game one (11-1 in six innings), and failed to capitalize in game two as they lost 17-6. Sunday did not bare any better, as Marshall fell 10-4.

The Herd entered the weekend with an 11-4 C-USA record and 22 home game winning streak that dated back to March 15, 2012. ECU entered the weekend at 5-7 in conference play.

"We learned any team can be beat on any given day, regardless of how good they are," center fielder Ashley Gue said of the weekend. "We can't take teams lightly and we need to come out prepared and ready from the get go each and every day."

Gue went 2-3 in Sunday's contest and put up the first RBI of the day as freshman Katalin Lucas scored off Gue's single.



PHOTO BY TYLER KES | THE PARTHENON

See SOFTBALL | Page 5 Senior third baseman Jasmine Valle meets with freshman pitcher Brittanie Fowler on the mound.



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Column

Paid sick days work for the workforce

By ANNE MICHAUD  
NEWSDAY

Places around the country with any labor union strength at all — New York City among them — are passing paid sick day laws. By October 2015, nearly a million additional New Yorkers in the city will be guaranteed paid sick leave, and it will be against the law to fire a worker for calling in sick.

Portland, Ore.; San Francisco; Washington, D.C.; Seattle and Connecticut have recently enacted similar measures, and Democrats in the House of Representatives are talking about a national law.

The New York bill is a result of years of debate and expert testimony about workers' rights and employers' costs. Yet, in all, very little has been said about an underlying cause of sick days — that is, sick children. The rise in the number of working parents and single-parent homes has meant that the common childhood cold, flu, earache or strep throat has inserted itself into the workplace. For this reason, sick-day protection is an idea whose time has come.

"Workers will no longer have to choose between their jobs and their health or their children's health," one labor leader, Stuart Appelbaum, told the media after the New York City Council reached an agreement.

So often, our public discourse about work and family concerns the upper echelon: Can new mom Marissa Mayer, chief executive of Yahoo, really "have it all"? Stay tuned! This shift in focus to a benefit that potentially affects a broader swath of parents in retail, restaurant, hotel and other service jobs is welcome.

People who work with children know how often parents must choose between work and staying home with a sick kid. Recent advice to day care centers warns about the "drop and

go" syndrome. Some parents leave a child with a caregiver and run out the door before it's noticed that the child is ill. Some parents give their child a dose of medicine to ease symptoms just long enough to sneak him or her into school or day care.

This can't be good for public health. Kids in groups spread illness among themselves, then return home and infect their parents — who in turn go to work and expose their co-workers and customers. What kind of sick way is that to run a healthy planet?

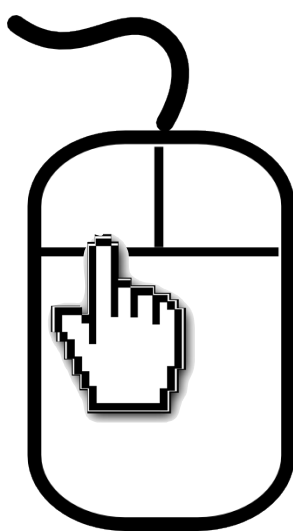
A friend of mine works from home when her infant son is sick. But she's well aware that not everyone can do that. And so, she worries about bringing him to the day care center even when he is well. He might catch something.

A better option would be child care for kids who are too sick to be in regular day care. But it's very hard to make these work financially. Most day care in the United States is supplied by people who take children into their homes, according to the Census Bureau. Were an operator to convert to sick care, the caregiver could charge higher rates. But he or she could go weeks without a client dropping off a sick child. There's also the liability of dispensing medications, and dehydration and other medical problems.

A physician in Arizona last year announced the opening of two "get well child care" centers. They are run in conjunction with a preschool, so the income is steadier. Still, they won't take children with measles, mumps, hepatitis, chickenpox or flu in its early, most infectious stage.

The new sick day laws are a sign of the times. Industrial production and factory jobs at one point in our history led to laws limiting the workday to eight hours and banning child labor. Sick day standards are simply one more way to shelter the nation's families.

ONLINE POLLS



How do you feel about the university's response to statewide budget cuts?

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Editorial

'Sensible budget measures' not so sensible

Marshall University faculty, students and staff were hit with a double whammy last week when President Stephen Kopp released a campus-wide email, which was essentially the blueprint as to what steps the university is taking to curtail an 8.94 percent budget cut. Marshall is expected to lose 8.94 percent of its state appropriations — this comes at a time when our state and national economies are in the midst of a financial dilemma.

Although the 8.94 percent figure equates to more than \$12 million, only \$5.11 million is expected to affect the main campus. These numbers are high and for months, university administrators have been contemplating what measures they deemed necessary.

Last week's email, released to students Tuesday, stated that all revenue accounts had been swept, leaving only \$5,000 in those accounts. More than 100 accounts were impacted, including accounts that fund e-courses and accounts that belong to a myriad of departments and colleges. Accounts that contained student lab fees were also swept, meaning the fees that students pay to utilize labs are now in the hands of university administrators, therefore not going toward their intended purpose of maintaining the labs and keeping up with ever-growing technological advances.

In a detailed list of the accounts affected by the sweep, approximately \$16,970.93 was swiped from an account that contained theatre lab fees. Approximately \$69,607.59 was taken from an account that belonged to the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. More than \$1 million was acquired from all accounts that belonged to the College of Health Professions. These are just a few examples of the sheer magnitude of how the sweep is impacting everyone at this institution. To say that the COHP took the worse hit would definitely be an accurate claim.

A large number of students have taken to social media in protest of the account sweeps. Many faculty members have expressed their dissatisfaction of the actions of the president, saying there should have been much more notice and much more discussion on this issue. Kopp used his executive power to take control of a majority of

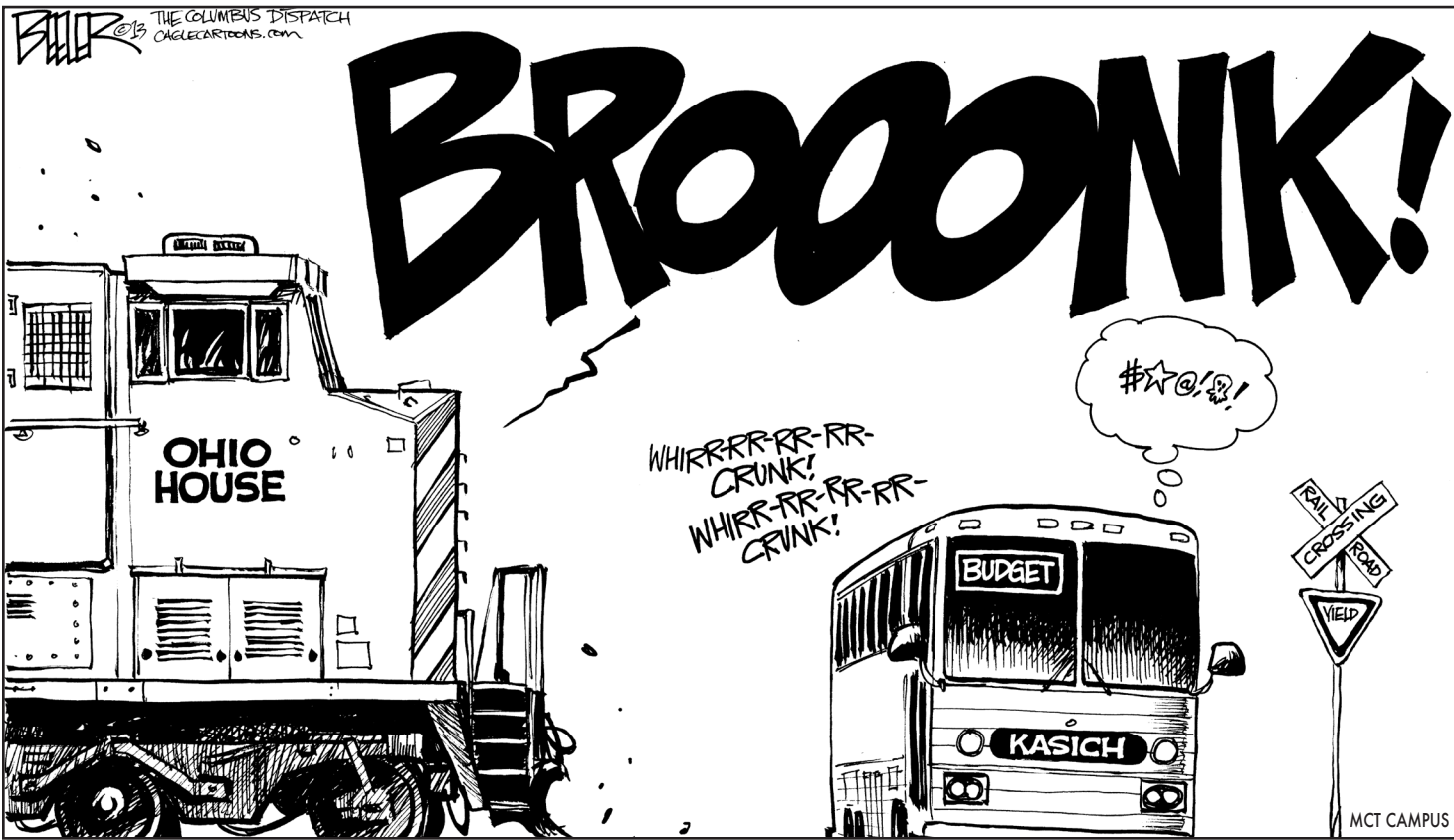
revenue accounts and locked the money up into a holding account until his administration approves the funds to be dispersed back to the departments, colleges, etc. Using executive power to claim more than \$5.8 million, a lot of which was paid by students, is outright shameful. The students at this university pay tuition and in return are expected to acquire an education that can compete with other graduates all over the world. By taking money from these accounts, money that could go toward the purchase of new resources and new technology is a step in the wrong direction, not the right one.

It is understandable that action needed to take place as soon as possible but just swiping these accounts overnight and informing the university body via email while both the president and the provost are conveniently out of town is a poor reflection on the current administration — it shows that they would rather be out of town while the entire campus community is left wanting answers.

Kopp released a more recent op-ed piece in which he attempts to defend his actions and explain some of the confusions that students and faculty have regarding the sweep. We get it, the state is decreasing their appropriations to Marshall and the cut could be devastating to the Marshall community. Instead of just swiping funds, initiating a forum and discussing ways to combat this cut would be a more appropriate way to tackle the problem. Going behind the backs of faculty and students and acquiring millions of dollars from a multitude of revenue accounts will irritate the university body — as this was proven true Tuesday.

What needs to happen is this: We need a transparent administration, an administration that shies away from secrecy and an administration that is open to public inspection. Yes, the money should be returned to all the accounts. Giving the administration sole power in determining how the colleges and departments will spend their money is foolish.

Appropriate action needs to happen now. The administration needs to receive input from the ones they serve before making huge changes overnight and letting everyone know via email.



Column

1863: Keystone to a Modern America

By ROSS WHITFORD  
COLUMNIST

As we look at the issues and the challenges that face us today as a nation and as a people, it is important to remember who we are and where we come from. We look back at days, months and years where great things happen, we remember the people who stood up for a cause and who paid the ultimate sacrifice in what they believed in. A year that all Americans need to remember is 1863.

Great things were happening 150 years ago. Americans were stuck in the middle of a Civil War; and up until 1863, it looked like the Union would fall and be defeated by its southern counterpart, but things started to change in 1863. In 1863 Robert E. Lee was defeated at Gettysburg, the city of

Vicksburg fell after a two month siege, the Emancipation Proclamation was enacted and the first official Black regiment was formed in Massachusetts and an election was on the horizon. By 1863, Americans were losing confidence in their President, and Abraham Lincoln knew that if he lost this election, the war would be lost. But because of the actions of men like George Meade and Ulysses Grant, Lincoln won his election in 1864, and won it in a landslide. These are the kind of actions that we need to look back and remember, because these men changed the very course of history in a way that it is hard to even fathom.

When faced with a seemingly unending war, a national draft and the loss of hundreds of thousands of American youth, great men and woman came together and

found ways to soldier on. These people did not have time for the small stuff and petty arguments. They had to win a war that they knew would determine the fate of the country and maybe even the world for generations to come. We can all take a note from these great people and what they did so we would have a union to call a country today.

What will 2013 be remembered for? A bully foreign policy, war mongering and scare tactics? Will people 150 years from now look back at 2013 and ask what was wrong with us? Let us give history something to remember us by. Each and every day is a new chance and a new opportunity to change ourselves and the world that we live in. Make the remainder of 2013 a year worth remembering, and it could make all the difference in the world.



# In the Senate, a gun rights ally's choice to compromise

By **MICHAEL A. MEMOLI**  
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Sen. Joe Manchin III owns two 12-gauge Beretta shotguns, a semiautomatic Remington 58 Sportsman, and a deer rifle. Since he was elected to the Senate two years ago, he has easily maintained an A rating from the National Rifle Association.

That rating might be considered crucial to the survival of a Democrat from a conservative, rural state such as West Virginia. So after news broke of the Newtown, Conn., school shootings on a Friday in December, his staff debated what he should do.

The consensus was that Manchin should cancel a scheduled appearance the following Monday to talk about fiscal issues on MSNBC's "Morning Joe." Surely the hosts would press the senator on gun control, and it seemed that almost anything he said could spell trouble so early in the aftermath of the tragedy.

But Manchin, whose father owned a furniture store in the small town of Farmington, W.Va., had been weighing the subject for months, after other significant gun crimes. Learning about the "horrific" details of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, as he was surrounded by his three children and eight young grandchildren during a family gathering in Pittsburgh, provided a new spark.

Manchin phoned allies at the NRA and other past supporters, including Frank Jeziro, director of West Virginia's Department of Natural Resources, which has oversight of hunting. He shared his thinking \_ that everything needed to be on the table, and all sides needed to be represented in the gun debate. An aide told Manchin it could be a "watershed moment" in politics, coming from someone who famously fired a rifle at

a piece of legislation he opposed for a Senate campaign ad.

"It's the right thing to do," Manchin said, according to aides who were part of the discussions. "I have to do something."

On Monday, Manchin will be on the Senate floor throughout the day, defending his compromise gun legislation from some of his former allies. He is stung by what is being said about him and his proposal to expand background checks to cover most commercial gun buyers.

"All these lies and distortions, and trying to promote paranoia that we're going to take their guns away, repeal the Second Amendment, we're going to have a national registry \_ all of this crazy nonsense by real zealots, real extremist groups and different organizations," Manchin fulminated in a recent interview. It was all, he said, "a bunch of lies."

He said Sunday that he will conduct a kind of reverse filibuster in advance of a vote mid-week, detailing his proposal line-by-line, and inviting skeptics to come to the Senate floor with their concerns. With certain bills, "the longer they lay out there the more opposition they build," Manchin said. "This is absolutely the reverse. And I'm thinking the longer the better."

Manchin, 65, who went to West Virginia University on a football scholarship before being elected to the state Legislature and serving two terms as governor, is as sensitive to criticism from the left as he is of his new critics on the right.

"I just hate it when a person looks at me like there's something wrong, like I've got four hands and two heads because I own a gun," he said.

When the White House first offered a slate of proposals meant to respond to

the shootings, Manchin saw a missing ingredient.

"There was a credibility problem," he said, recalling a conversation with Vice President Joe Biden, who helped develop the Obama administration's plans. "I said, 'Mr. Vice President, with all due respect, those of us who come from gun cultures, who really cherish our ability to use our guns ... there are very few people, sir, that would believe that you or anybody on that committee, because they have not come from a gun culture, would truly protect their rights.'"

By mid-January he set to work on a background check plan that would be an alternative to the one by New York Sen. Charles E. Schumer, a member of the Democratic Senate leadership. He first sought out another senator with strong gun bona fides, Tom Coburn of Oklahoma, as a GOP partner. But after nearly three months of talks, the two reached an impasse on whether to exempt individual transfers that might occur at gun shows.

Pennsylvania Sen. Patrick J. Toomey, with whom Manchin had occasionally spoken on the issue, emerged as his new chief collaborator. Manchin skipped his turn presiding over the Senate on Tuesday so they could close the deal. The final language was negotiated while he attended a birthday party for MSNBC host Joe Scarborough, talking with Toomey on his cellphone, as Schumer stood by his side.

"It's a little easier in states like Connecticut and New York to be for this than it is when you're from a state like West Virginia or even Pennsylvania," Schumer said. "They've shown amazing courage and amazing skill in crafting a bipartisan proposal that doesn't do everything we want but almost does."

## Illness Continued from Page 2

Mental illness can have an impact on all facets of a young person's journey through college, including dropping out, taking longer to complete a degree and worst-case scenario suicide.

Atlanta photographer Billy Howard has tackled the topic of mental health in people from their late teens into early adulthood in a photography project, "Step Inside My Head: Teens Speak Out on Mental Health."

He hopes to turn it into a traveling exhibit in the fall, and he has partnered with the national office of Active Minds. Spitz is one of the participants.

The project began when Howard was awarded a Rosalynn Carter Mental Health Journalism Fellowship.

"I like to offer a voice to people who are stigmatized or not part of the conversation about the issues they are living with," he said. "They have a lot to teach us about how we live and deal with illness. The vast majority of people living with

mental illness are functioning, contributing people young and old who are forced to be silent about what they are going through or face repercussions."

Mental health experts say it's unfortunate that most public discussions and media coverage about mental health on campuses only occur when there is an extreme case of violence, such as the 2007 massacre at Virginia Tech that left more than 30 people dead.

The transition to adulthood whether or not a person is in college can be a stressful time.

For college students, in particular, they may be moving away from home and leaving an established support system for the first time in their lives.

"You would certainly expect someone to go through their life and at some point have a physical illness, but you wouldn't expect someone to go through his life and at some point have a mental illness?" said Mark McLeod, the director of Emory's Counseling and Psychological Services program. "There's no rational reason for that."

## Softball Continued from Page 3

The bats were alive but just didn't work in Marshall's favor as senior first baseman Alyssa Hively hit her eighth homerun of the season, blasting a two run shot in the bottom of the sixth.

Senior pinch hitter Jessica Ferrick also notched a homer in the bottom of the seventh. All three of Ferrick's homeruns have come in pinch-hit situations.

Freshman Alexandra Bayne added to her young collegiate resume, belting her first homerun in the first game of the doubleheader on Saturday.

The team is going to use its bye weekend to focus on improvements they can make before tackling its next C-USA opponent, UAB.

"We are going to take lots of reps in the field and work situationally to make sure we know what do it every single circumstance," Gue said. "We're going

to get live hitting in, working on the spots that their pitchers will likely throw to us."

Despite the sweep, the team is still holding heads high.

"We know we are a great team. We are capable of great things this season as we've already seen," Gue said. "We just have to stop looking at end results and start living in the process."

The senior knows that the team can not lose focus this deep into the year.

"We have to start taking it

pitch by pitch, and not focusing on the conference tourney or even beyond that," Gue said. "We are trying to live in the moment and make the most of every opportunity we have right now. The rest will take care of itself."

Marshall will trek to Athens for a midweek doubleheader against Ohio. The Bobcats are 19-20 and currently on a seven game losing streak.

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## Festival Continued from Page 2

Ian Nolte, filmmaker and Marshall alumus, said he thinks film festivals are important to local filmmakers.

"This is our opportunity to show off what we work really hard on," Nolte said. "We've been working on my film for about 18 months, and last night was our big

opportunity to invite everyone who was interested to come watch."

Mandy Mullen, the wife of filmmaker Patrick Mullen, said she enjoyed seeing her husband's work at the theater.

"It is actually the first time Patrick's work has been on the big screen," Mullen said. "It almost makes me feel like I'm married to a famous director."

Mullen said she enjoyed the mix of the eras in the festival's atmosphere.

"You have the history of the Keith Albee, but you also have a new crowd," Mullen said. "A lot of young people are here, and everybody has just come together for the love of film."

The festival also doubled as a contest. The first-place winner of the microfilm category, which included short

productions of about five minutes, was Nicole Azarian, with her film "ROTFL." The first place winner for the short film category, which consisted of films shorter than 45 minutes, was Patrick Mullen with the film "Oddney Strangerfield."

The event closed with a performance by the "Heptanes."

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## LFL Continued from Page 3

I'd be sore for a couple days after," Orsini said. "My dad would pour vitamin C down my throat."

For Orsini, weekdays were filled with work and basketball pick-up games, but weekends were consumed with football. As the weeks went by, Orsini said she felt the transformation into her new football physical shape.

"This last practice, they moved me to the wide receiver position. I was doing great catching the ball and getting open," Orsini said. "All the hard work is starting to pay off. I just

want to make the team is better, win football games and do my part to get there."

Orsini contributes her work ethic to her time on the Thundering Herd's womens basketball team.

"Our practices now are Saturday and Sunday at 6:30a.m. It's an hour-long drive for me to get there. Getting up at 4:30 a.m. is not fun," Orsini said. "Discipline is the biggest thing I got from Marshall because in college they love torturing you with early morning practices."

Uniforms for the LFL consist of shoulder pads, elbow pads, kneepads, bra and panties. Orsini said she is not afraid of showing some skin.

"I'm not afraid of my body, I'm going to make sure everything is tight and toned before I bear it all out there on the field," Orsini said. "We're all beautiful girls that are in shape and out there to play football."

Orsini said she is ready for her first game and the adrenaline rush of playing a sport again.

Royce Chadwick, former Marshall women's basketball coach, said Orsini has been like that since her college basketball career.

"She was a tenacious player," Chadwick said. "A fierce competitor."

Chadwick said she went hard in practice and does not waste a minute.

"She got every ounce of her ability everyday as she came to practice to work."

Orsini said she hopes to further her career in sports journalism and said she thinks the exposure the LFL gives her will be beneficial in future careers.

The Baltimore Charm will go head-to-head with the Jacksonville Breeze in Jacksonville May 25. The game will be featured live on Pay Per View or available on YouTube the next morning.

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Brittanie Fowler prepares to pitch against the ECU Pirates in the second game of Saturday's doubleheader. Fowler pitched four innings, giving up 8 hits and 11 runs, three of which were earned, in the loss.

## Baseball Continued from Page 3

not really changed the mindset the Herd had entering the series after big wins off of Houston.

"The attitude of the team hasn't changed," Ballou said. "We just to play consistent baseball when it comes to routine plays."

Ballou knows his team will bounce back though.

"That's the nature of this sport, it can humble you really quick. We'll be fine though," Ballou said.

The Herd will be back out on the road Tuesday, as the team travels to Athens, Ohio for a meeting with old MAC rival Ohio before heading south for

a three game matchup against conference opponent UCF.

Dundon said the results of this weekend can teach and cultivate the attitudes for the UCF series.

"There are many things we can build on from this weekend, like hitting the ball hard," Dundon said. "Our mindset going into this is to take 2 of 3. We know we can compete with any team in the conference. It all starts by playing each and every pitch until the end of the game."

The Herd is now 13-22 and has fallen into a last place tie in Conference USA with UAB with a 3-6 conference record.

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## Earth Day Continued from Page 1

marshmallow roasting will be included in a wild land ethics presentation.

Other companies expected to attend include, but are not limited to, American Electric Power, Pet Palace, a K-9

Unit, Southern States, Lowe's, Home Depot and Rumpke.

Students may volunteer to help with the event and may contact the MU-PROS or Greening Marshall Committee for more information.

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IN WHICH THERE ARE FEW ORIGINALS  
AND MANY COPIES.”

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TOP LEFT: Marco at the Joan C. Edwards Stadium in 1992. TOP MIDDLE: The Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center, courtesy of Downtown Huntington. TOP BOTTOM: Sixth Street Bridge during the 1937, courtesy of Tony Rutherford. TOP RIGHT: Hal Greer holding up a number 13 basketball jersey, courtesy Sharon Henneman Jenkins. MIDDLE RIGHT: Wayland Ogden Dean, courtesy Lesa Forshee. BOTTOM: Camden Interstate Railway, courtesy Bill Johnson.



## Vintage Huntington

### brings beauty to the city

By COURTNEY SEALEY  
THE PARTHENON

The downtown Huntington neighborhood association has created a unique way to remind citizens of the city's glory days through its Vintage Huntington Facebook page.

The Facebook page has stirred positive buzz around Marshall University and the community. With 7,500 likes from people all over the country, Vintage Huntington helps Huntington area natives remember what the city was like decades ago when it was a booming metropolis.

The Downtown Huntington Neighborhood Association was created in 2009 to help promote, preserve and improve the quality of life for all who chose to spend their time in the Huntington area.

The pictures posted on the page come from several different sources. The association fishes through hundreds of archived photos from several Huntington area companies to find the best ones for its fans.

Vintage Huntington also encourages citizens who are not associated with the downtown Huntington neighborhood association to share pictures as well. Hundreds of people have flooded the page with pictures from their old family scrapbooks, some of them passed down for generations.

The photos date as far back

as the beginning of the 1800s, but only a few go back that far. To make up for this, and album has been dedicated to early 19th and 20th century postcards.

The page offers an entertaining way to educate people about the history of Huntington and Marshall.

For example, in a submitted photo, an Esso (Exxon) gas station can be seen in the front lawn of the Science Building.

There are photo albums for everyone interested in Huntington's history. Anything from the glory days of Fourth Avenue, to a flash back of Marshall University's past, to the political superiority Huntington once held.

In a picture from 1940, the streets of Fifth Avenue are filled and people are standing on the roof across the street as they waited to hear Republican Party Presidential candidate Wendell Willkie.

In another photo, a football team is lifting Cam Henderson after a victory at Fairfield Stadium. That's not a typo. Marshall's most famous basketball coach, Cam Henderson, who is credited with creating the 2-3 zone defense in basketball, also coached the football team starting in 1935. In the end, he won 68 games and one Buckeye Conference title.

Other photos show how campus buildings have changed

over time. There are several pictures of Old Main before and after its completion in 1907.

Old Main has gone through several changes since it was built in 1837. There are pictures of when it was originally built, when it looked nothing like the old main that can be seen today. Instead of the two towers that can be seen today, it had one tall bell tower. It also consisted of several buildings instead of one.

However, during its final constructions during the turn of the century, the twin towers were added, the bell tower was torn down and five of the campus buildings were connected to make one. In 1937, Old Main earned a name on the National Register of Historic Sites.

Aaron-Michael Fox, founder and president of the downtown Huntington neighborhood association, said there is one picture of WSAZ's very own Mr. Cartoon that has been seen by more than 207,000 people.

These are just a couple examples of the history Vintage Huntington has to offer.

Fox said the site has gotten a lot of feedback.

"The positive feedback has been absolutely unbelievable. It is actually

awe-inspiring how much people love the page," Fox said. "We have been averaging between 2,000 and 2,500 notifications a day since we launched the page."

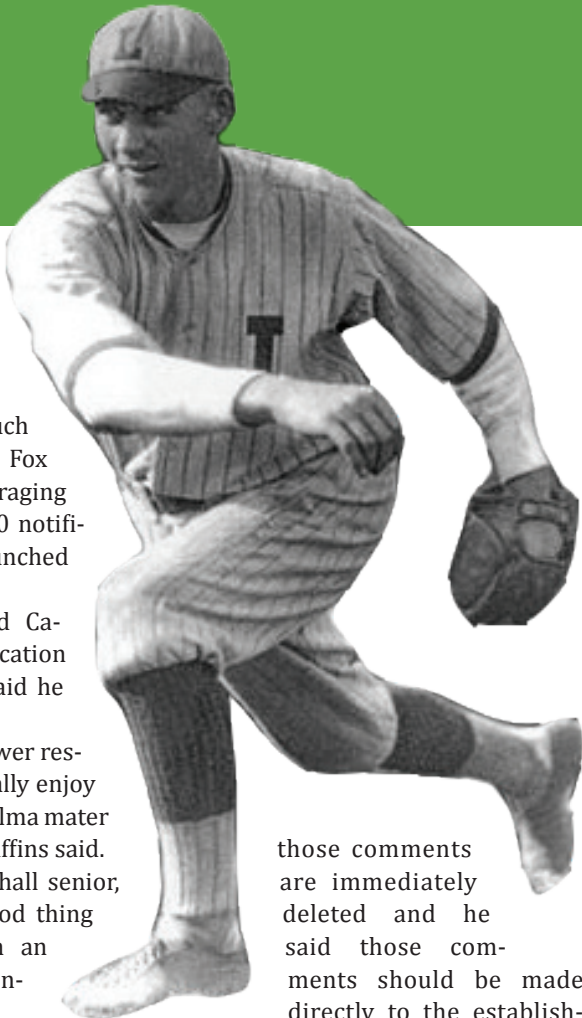
Marshall alumnus and Cabell County music education teacher, Matt Chaffins, said he recently liked the page.

"As an alumnus and newer resident of Huntington, I really enjoy seeing the history of my alma mater and new hometown," Chaffins said.

Danny Holderby, Marshall senior, said he thinks it is a good thing that people have taken an interest in preserving Huntington's history.

"As a lifelong resident of the Huntington area and Marshall student, I really enjoy getting to see how much the city and the school have changed," Holderby said.

Running a page that is open to the public also opens up receiving negative comments as well. Fox said a few viewers use the pictures to post comments about negative experiences they had while visiting places around the area. He said



those comments are immediately deleted and he said those comments should be made directly to the establishments with which the issue took place.

As a public service, volunteers like Fox run Vintage Huntington. It is not affiliated with the City of Huntington and no tax dollars are spent on it.

If you would like to see more of what Vintage Huntington has to offer, you can join their page on Facebook.

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